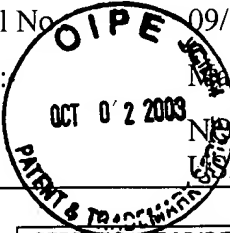


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Matsumoto  
Serial No. 09/870,257  
Filed: May 30, 2001  
Title: NON-SINTERED THIN ELECTRODE FOR BATTERY, BATTERY  
USING SAME AND PROCESS FOR SAME (as amended)

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a 2-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed May 2, 2003, said period of response being extended from August 2, 2003 to October 2, 2003.

Our check in the amount of \$210.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a small entity.

Respectfully submitted,



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